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SUBJECT: FORGED LEAFLET WITH KOSCHNICK'S SIGNATURE

DISTRIBUTED IN BREMEN

1. ON JULY 6, SOME THOUSANDS OF BREMERS FOUND IN THEIR LETTER BOXES LEAFLETS PRINTED ON OFFICIAL STATIONERY OF THE "FREE HANSEATIC CITY OF BREMEN", WITH THE BREMEN CODE OF ARMS AND THE SEAL OF POLICE HEADQUARTERS. THE LEAFLET, WITH A FACSIMILE OF BUERGERMEISTER KOSCHNICK'S SIGNATURE, ASKED THE POPULATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A "SECURITY AND EVACUATION EXERCISE" ON JULY 8 AT 6:30 A. M. AS A DRILL IN THE EVENT OF A POSSIBLE ACCIDENT IN THE ATOMIC POWER PLANT AT ESENSHAMM. THE LEAFLET WARNED THAT AN ACCIDENT AT ESENSHAMM CONSTITUTED A SERIOUS DANGER OF RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION OF THE CITY OF BREMEN. IT INVITED THE CITIZENS TO COME TO THE MAIN RAILROAD STATION, WHENCE THEY WOULD PROCEED BY BUSES TO ATOMIC AIR RAID SHELTERS. THE BREMEN EMPLOYERS' UNCLASSIFIED

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ASSOCIATIONS WERE SAID TO HAVE PROMISED THAT WORKERS PARTICIPATING IN THE EXERCISE WOULD RECEIVE THEIR FULL PAY.

2. THE LEAFLET WAS AN UNADULTERATED FORGERY BY PARTIES UNKNOWN. IN A PUBLIC STATEMENT BUERGERMEISTER KOSCHNICK BRANDED THE WHOLE AFFAIR "A BAD ATTEMPT TO PLAY IN A SHAMELESS WAY ON THE FEARS OF THE POPULATION". HE

CALLED ON THE CITIZENS OF BREMEN NOT TO LET THEMSELVES
BE UNNERVED BY THIS FORGERY. THE BREMEN POLICE INSTITUTED
AN INVESTIGATION OF THE AFFAIR AND A SEARCH FOR ITS
PERPETRATORS.

3. COMMENT: KOSCHNICK TOOK THE OCCASION TO POINT OUT
AGAIN HIS PERSONAL CONCERNS ABOUT THE NUMEROUS UNANSWERED
QUESTIONS SURROUNDING NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS, ESPECIALLY THE
PROBLEM OF ATOMIC WASTE DISPOSAL. HE ASSURED THE POPULATION,
HOWEVER, THAT THERE ARE NO EVACUATION PLANS OF ANY KIND.
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